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Jeff S. Jordan, Esq.
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Re: **RR 11L-33**

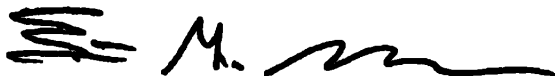
Dear Mr. Jordan:

Our firm is counsel to Heath Shuler for Congress and Troy Burns, Treasurer (collectively, "Respondents"). A designation of counsel form to that effect is attached. We write to seek an extension of time in which to respond to the complaint in the above-referenced referral.

Respondents received the referral on December 19, 2011, and they understand that their response would normally be due on January 3, 2012. However, Respondents require additional time to develop the information that would permit them to respond. Accordingly, Respondents respectfully request a 30-day extension, so that they are permitted to respond on or before February 2, 2012.

Please advise us as soon as possible regarding the requested extension. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Statement of Designation of Counsel
(Respondent/Witness)

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The above named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

12/28/2011
Date

[Signature]
Signature

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Information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Federal Election Commission and the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(A) apply. This section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Federal Election Commission without the express written consent of the person under investigation.

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